

Leadership Brookings is the highest quality leadership preparation program with emphasis on collaborative leadership, community engagement, and individual skillset in response to Brookings area civic, government, business, and industry needs.

Scholarship Overview

To help make this opportunity more accessible, the Brookings Area Chamber of Commerce offers **scholarships of \$400**, covering half the program tuition. These scholarships are intended for small business owners, solopreneurs, and nonprofit employees who are looking to develop both personally and professionally but may not have the extra funds to participate.

Eligibility

Applicants must (please check all that apply):

Be employed by a small business (25 employees or fewer) or nonprofit

Work or live in the Brookings area

Commit to participating fully in all Leadership Brookings sessions (October–March)

Demonstrate a passion for community engagement and leadership growth

Selection Process

Applications are reviewed by volunteer Leadership Brookings alumni taskforce. Preference will be given to individuals who show financial need, reflect a diversity of industries and perspectives, and express a strong commitment to civic leadership.

How to Apply

Visit www.brookingschamber.org/leadership-brookings/ to complete the application. Please include this form attached with your application by the due date listed below for consideration of the scholarship.

Applications Due: August 8, 2025 **Program Begins:** October 14, 2025

Application Questions
(Please limit responses to 300 words per question)
1. Tell us about yourself and your current role.
2. Why are you interested in Leadership Brookings?
3. How will this experience help you grow professionally or personally?
4. What impact do you hope to make in your organization or community as a result?

5. (Optional) Is there anything else you'd like us to know?